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SCIENCE FAIR WILL CELEBRATE
SILVER ANNIVERSARY IN APRIL

MISSOULA--

The 25th annual Montana Science Fair for junior high and high school students will be April 11 and 12 in the Harry Adams Field House on the University of Montana campus in Missoula.

Registration forms and detailed science fair information will be mailed to school science teachers the first week in January. Applications must be received by March 31.

The 1980 fair will feature 11 categories, including biochemistry, medicine and health, microbiology, physics, engineering, mathematics, zoology, behavioral and social sciences, earth and space sciences, chemistry, and botany. Students' projects will compete for prizes in each category.

Silver and bronze medals will be given to Grand Award winners in the seventh and eighth grade categories. Gold medals will still be given to two high school grand award winners. The boy and girl grand award winners in the upper division (high school) competition will be eligible for an expense-paid trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair May 5-10 in Saint Paul, Minn.

A total of 250 students entered exhibits in the 1979 Montana Science Fair last April in Missoula.

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Grand award winners at the 1979 fair, Jenae Bunyak, Sunburst, and Mark Grosen, Big Sandy, won major awards at the International Science and Engineering Fair in May in San Antonio, Tex. Bunyak won a \$100 award from the American Society for Agronomy and one of the coveted Navy Awards (featuring a trip to Hawaii last summer). Grosen won a third place award of \$50 from the Institute of Electric and Electronics Engineers and an all-expense-paid trip for himself and his science teacher to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., as a major award from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The state science fair was founded at UM in 1956 by Dr. Reuben A. Diettert, UM professor emeritus of botany, who directed the event for 18 years. The fair is co-sponsored by the Missoula Exchange Club and the University of Montana.

Requests for an information packet about the fair may be sent to the fair's director, Dr. Len Porter, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812.

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